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 SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT OF PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY SPEAKER
 IZZADDIN WITH SENATOR PERCY

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1. PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY SPEAKER IZZADDIN EL SAYED, WHO WAS
 SENATOR PERCY'S HOST IN SUDAN LAST DECEMBER, HAS ASKED
 THAT WE CONTACT SENATOR AND FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE
 STAFF TO SEE IF A LATE SEPTEMBER VISIT TO WASHINGTON WOULD
 BE POSSIBLE. IZZADDIN, WHO IS VERY CLOSE TO NIMEIRI, TELLS
 ME THAT PRESIDENT WISHES TO ASSERT A "HELPFUL SUDANESE
 ROLE AMONG ARABS" IN THE NEXT MONTHS FURTHERING PRESIDENT
 REAGAN'S PEACE INITIATIVE AND TO CONSULT WITH US LEGISLA-
 TIVE COLLEAGUES AND MEMBERS OF ADMINISTRATION TO THIS END.

2. WE THINK THIS IS A GOOD IDEA IF CONGRESSIONAL AND
 DEPARTMENT OFFICERS' SCHEDULES CAN ACCOMMODATE IT. REQUEST
 DEPARTMENT CONTACT SENATOR'S STAFF (ED SANDERS AND GRAEME
 BANNERMAN, WHO ACCOMPANIED SENATOR PERCY TO SUDAN LAST
 YEAR) TO SEE IF SENATOR WOULD BE ABLE TO RECEIVE IZZADDIN
 ANY TIME AFTER SEPTEMBER 27 THROUGH EARLY OCTOBER.
 IZZADDIN IS ATTENDING IPU CONFERENCE IN ROME AND LEAVES
 HERE SEPTEMBER 11. A PERSONAL REPLY ONE WAY OR THE OTHER
 FROM SENATOR PERCY TO IZZADDIN WOULD BE A NICE GESTURE.
 WOULD APPRECIATE AN URGENT REPLY WE CAN DELIVER TO
 IZZADDIN BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE. PLEASE INFORM AMBASSADOR
 KONTOS OF FOREGOING. DAVISON
 END OF MESSAGE

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State Dept. review completed

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